



STATEMENT OF HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE CRITERIA

The following statement sets forth the criteria for historic significance found in Erie Ordinance No. 28-2010, Series of 2010. Your structure or property must exhibit at least one of the criteria listed below. In your narrative, please comment on as many of these criteria as your structure or property exhibits. Refer to these criteria by number and/or by using the exact language contained in the statement below. An example might be “My house exemplifies specific elements of an architectural style or period. 1. a) 1)”

Statement

Historic Landmarks must be at least fifty (50) years old and meet, among others, one or more of the criteria for Architectural, Social/Historic, or Geographic/Environmental significance as described below. A Historic Landmark may be exempt from the age standard if it is found to be exceptionally important to other significant criteria.

1. Historic sites shall meet one or more of the following criteria:

a) Architectural criteria:

- 1) Exemplifies specific elements of an architectural style or period.
- 2) Example of the work of an architect or builder who is recognized for expertise nationally, state-wide, regionally, or locally.
- 3) Demonstrates superior craftsmanship or high artistic value.
- 4) Represents an innovation in construction materials or design.
- 5) Style particularly in association with Erie or one of its neighborhoods.
- 6) Represents a built environment of a group of people in an era of history.
- 7) Pattern or grouping of elements representing at least one of the above criteria or
- 8) Significant historic model.

b) Social/Historic criteria:

- 1) Site of a historic event that had an effect on society or the community.
- 2) Exemplifies cultural, political, economic or social heritage of the community or
- 3) Associated with a notable person or the work of a notable person.

c) Geographic/Environmental criteria:

- 1) Enhances the sense of identity of the community, or
- 2) An established and familiar natural setting or visual fixture of the community.

2. Archeological sites (historic and prehistoric) that meet one or more of the following criteria:

a) Architectural criteria:

- 1) Exhibits distinctive characteristics of a type, period or manner of construction, or
- 2) A unique example of structure.

b) Social/Historic criteria:

- 1) Demonstrable potential to make an important contribution to the knowledge of the area's history or prehistory.
- 2) An association with an important event in the area's development.
- 3) An association with a notable person(s) or the work of notable person(s).
- 4) A typical example/association with a particular ethnic group, or
- 5) A unique example of an event in Erie's history.

c) Geographic/Environmental criteria:

- 1) Geographically or regionally important.